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CHRISTMAS EXERCISES AT THE CHURCHES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The usual good number of both adults and children greatly enjoyed the annual Christmas supper and tree at the church on Thursday evening, Dec. 24. After supper the following program was rendered:

Song, Primary Class
Recitation, Katherine Wright
Recitation, Sidney Howe
Song, Lullaby, Elizabeth Lyon
Recitation, Ara Burgess, Jr.
Recitation, Irene Blake
Song, Twinkle Little Candle, Richard Marshall
Recitation, Bertha Cross
Song, Wilma and Marguerite Hall
Recitation, Eleanor Lyon
Song, Barbara and Kathryn Herrick
Recitation, Lucia Van and Ruth Bennett
Playlet, A Girl's Letter to Santa Claus and His Answer
Santa Claus Song by a class of Girls
After this attractive program Santa Claus entered and distributed the many gifts so eagerly awaited by the children.

METHODIST CHURCH

The Christmas tree and program at this church was carried out in the afternoon from two to four o'clock. The following program was enjoyed by a number of parents and friends:

Recitation, Helen Stevens
Prayer, Mr. Oliver
Song, O Hush, Primary Dept.
Recitation, A Brief Speech, Donald Brown
Dialogue, Christmas Lights
Recitation, The Christmas Gift, Richard Davis
Recitation, A Day of Joy, Winifred Robertson
Dialogue, The Meaning of Christmas
Song, Helen Anderson
Recitation, The Christmas Rule, Stanley Hamlin
Recitation, The Time When I'm Good, Frankie Littlehale
Dialogue, The Ladder of Joy
Recitation, My Best, Earlyn Wentzell
Recitation, Maxine Swan
Recitation, Ruth Aubin
Song, Florine Dean
Recitation, Christmas Baskets, Vivian Berry
Recitation, Baby's Present, Charlie Anderson
Recitation, Christmas Shopping, Marjory Berry
Song, Prance Him, Primary Dept.
Recitation, Good Night, Floyd Bartlett
After gifts were distributed from the trees games were played and refreshments were served.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

There was a record attendance at the annual supper and Christmas tree at the Universalist Church on Christmas Eve. The dining hall was most attractively decorated in red combined with green boughs, by Mrs. Burbank who has excellent taste and who gave very generously of her time and talent. The supper under the direction of Mrs. Merton Farwell was a very successful affair. The well loaded tables, the attractive decorations, the mingling of all ages and the altogether Christmas spirit made it one of the pleasantest Christmas gatherings in the annals of the church.

After the supper all gathered in the main auditorium where the program under the direction of Mrs. Wendell was given, the first number being a Christmas hymn in which all joined. A dialogue by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus, recitations and Christmas songs completed the program and then came the unloading of the handsomely decorated trees. Mrs. Hugh Thurston had charge of the trees and saw to it that Santa visited the children that night. The coming with his pack of goodies for every child caused much excitement and gave pleasure to the children and grown-ups as well. Altogether it was a most successful Christmas party and one long to be remembered by all.

MRS. MARY A. BARROWS

The remains of Mrs. Mary Agnes Barrows, widow of James H. Barrows, were brought to West Paris, Thursday, from Portland for interment. Mrs. Barrows was the daughter of Francis A. and Fannie (Spaulding) Young, and was born in West Paris, May 23, 1836. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Flora Baker and Mrs. Hattie Brooks, and one brother, W. H. Young, all of Portland. Mrs. Barrows spent the most of her life in West Paris, moving from there to Bethel and later to Portland, where she died several years ago.

Mrs. Bethel people will remember Mrs. Barrows, as she was for a number of years a resident of this town, having resided on Mechanic Street.

THE J. E. JONES LETTER

VALUABLE ADVICE

The Chamber of Commerce of the United States has started a referendum among its members to determine its official attitude towards legislation relating to resale prices. Organizations and individual members of the Chamber have been asked to express their views concerning Federal legislation permitting the seller of identified merchandise sold under competitive conditions under a distinguishing name, trade mark, or print, to control the resale price thereof; if so, whether it should permit contracts for the maintenance of resale prices, and whether Congress should enact legislation forbidding "the cutting of the sellers declared price." Such a process, it is indicated, is detrimental to the good will attached to articles identified as to their origin. Any member of the Chamber who can not read between the lines and decide just what they are expected to vote for, or against, must be kind of a dolt. The Chamber of Commerce has the most wonderful methods for expressing the wants of business that ever existed on the face of the earth—it even thinks aloud in a way that is echoed and parroted all over the country. The United States has employed the best brains in the land to go into just such matters during the last dozen years as the referendum contemplates. A little of the judgment of organized business men won't do any hurt, even though it does not do any good.

HOUSE AND THE WHITE HOUSE

The President of the United States had Colonel House as a luncheon guest one day recently. He came at a time when matters in connection with the World Court were occupying the attention of the United States Senate. A lot of people around Washington are in the state of mind that they pretend to see every officer of the World Court, "intent on destroying the sovereignty of the United States." There are a lot of morbid minds that need comforting on all occasions when international affairs are being discussed. One Senator, in replying to the expressions of fear that the League of Nations would dominate the World Court said that the Court was not constituted so that it could be made "the department of justice for the League." The United States got so tired of Europe during the late world war that it didn't even want to think of that part of the world. Now the United States government through its administration and its Congress is simply trying to meet its ordinary responsibilities to civilization by going into the World Court.

COOPERATIVE MARKETING

As of old, nothing succeeds like success and success is now the given name for cooperative marketing. In the language of Charles N. Barrett, President of the Farmer Union, "gamboling in the necessities of life must stop." Farmers have taken their difficulties in their own hands and they have found that by organized efforts they are able to have a little something to say for themselves regarding the prices of their commodities. The fight for cooperative marketing which started out on the 40 acre farms of the West and Middle West has reached Washington and in the administration and legislative circles of the Government all sorts are off to help the farmers to put the big cooperative marketing idea across.

ALASKA SLUMPS

The gold output in Alaska in 1925 was estimated at \$6,150,000, which was a trifle under that of 1924. The total value of mining production of Alaska during the year was \$17,500,000.

MAY THINK, BUT NOT TALK

Secretary of War Davis is said to be ready to put pollocks on the mouths of army officers who are inclined to follow the way of Colonel Mitchell in thinking aloud. The reports in Washington indicate that the War Department proposes to take vigorous measures to curb the effusions of its military men in the service.

LET HENRY DO IT

The latest news from Detroit is that Henry Ford will finance an expedition to the North Pole. A week before that news got out Mr. Ford was recovering from a fall with the aid of an old time fitter with old time music. Perhaps he will get the two movements together at the North Pole. Henry may even use the Pole for a May party next spring.

REDMEN UP TO DATE

The Chicago Indians out in Oklahoma have made the "big White Fathers" in Washington sit up and take notice. The other day the Indian Commission was asked to approve claims incurred by two young Oklahoma Indians. The youths were sent over to Kansas City.

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NEW YEAR'S PRAYER

A Seven-Fold Prayer

The author of The Seven Fold Prayer here printed is Rev. S. T. Achenbach. It was made a part of the New Year's service at the Congregational Church last Sunday, Dec. 27. Suggestion: The copy may be kept in a conspicuous place in the home and the prayers used one each day in succession for a week and afterwards repeated likewise for a period of time.

LORD, ENLARGE MY HEART

A Seven-Fold Prayer

Lord, enlarge my heart with true apprehension of Thy goodness. With trembling multitudes of earth I am heir of the ages. Pined indeed would be my soul were I dependent alone on my personal equipment to create what my soul needs. In my past Thou hast set father, mother, teacher, prophet, neighbor, friend. They willed to me untold wealth in incentive to integrity, in lifting veils from ideals, in encouragement to faith, in spur to great adventure. God forbid that I disappoint them as they look upon me in my struggle. In the further past also Thou hast placed gifts of which I still receive. The ancient pillar of cloud and fire travels on before me as in all generations. May that be the token of Thine everlasting ongoing. Breathing my eyes on that, my way needs not to be in doubt. The ancient tables of the moral law are the deathly symbol of Thy Law written in my members. For this priceless dowry, the gift of inner control, I give Thee thanks. Arrest me if I follow not the dictates of divine government in my soul. Out from the mighty past the prophets and Jesus and all who follow in their train send me the riches of their thought and experience. Permit me not to ignore their warnings nor to disregard their counsels. Yea, and to fellowmen of today endow me with the abundant assets of their dreams, their nerve, their brotherly good will. Make it impossible, O Lord, that I should do naught with these priceless deposits of excellence save to so lodge them with other lives that they too may be blessed.

Lord, enlarge my heart with readiness to meet obligation. It is not enough for me to assent to creeds which men have formed. Not even is it enough for me to make a noble life decision, committing myself in enlistment to Thy Holy Cause. Impress it upon me, O Lord, that when I say, "I believe," that when I make a dedication of myself to Thee, Thy Kingdom, Thy Church, my own and my act take on the meaning of a deep obligation. Ever after may I hear in the call of duty the call of God that I shall think of my Christian obligation as a fetter upon my liberty, as an intruder on my time, as a robber of my pleasure mayest Thou forbid. It is for me to consider that the atone and the agony which the doing of duty bring upon men are for their discipline, that they develop the muscle of character. I crave the spirit of Jesus, who so many times said, "I must." For Him the path of duty was not at all easy and it was never likewise to always mean progress in His labor of bringing God's kingdom to pass. O Lord Jesus, let me say with Thee, "I must," when I am faced with the realities which my life with Thee in power, and may I never feel under their yoke.

Lord, enlarge my heart with courage to meet antagonism. Thou knowest me all together and knowest the paralysing effect of fear in my soul. How little of the substance of things I see when I am afflicted. Very still seem the voices calling to high endeavor when the quiet settles upon my spirit. So often I am afraid for the future by day, I tremble lest these will bring up on me poverty of goods, lest they will rob me of a place for which I strive, lest they will drive friends from my side, lest they will waste far from me the record of my life. But may I bear with the voice that when time comes, "I am not afraid to be troubled, neither am I to be fearful." With the promise I will say, "What time I am afflicted, I will put my trust in Thee." Like Thee, O Christ, I would be to my own, confident, poised, steady. I will hear Thy trumpet summons to achievement. There are timid ones who may stand in hesitancy before high issues because I stand timorous. Therefore, O Lord, help me to appear assured and undismayed in their sight. May it not be that observers of my note shall find me making a first move for the great or life because I act the craven.

Lord, enlarge my heart with overpowering passion for the right. In my own self create a clean heart and renew a right spirit. I would have a heart of purity, knowing that the base alloy

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BETHEL AND VICINITY

Miss Paye Sanborn is spending her vacation with her sister, Hazel Sanborn, at Portland.

Miss Hazel Sanborn of Portland spent Christmas Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Sanborn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Austin and two sons were guests of Mrs. Austin's parents at Shelburne, Friday.

Miss Shirley Brooks is spending her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brooks.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abster Lowe fell down stairs one day last week and broke her arm.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jones of Lewiston were Christmas guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Bean.

Mrs. Frank Kendall was a week end guest of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Ring, and family at West Paris.

Elwin Bergquist of Berlin, N. H., is spending the week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Donahue.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Inman and baby of West Paris spent the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Inman.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Inman and child of West Bethel were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Inman, Sunday.

Mrs. Lynn Bennett went to Brownville, Me., last week for a visit. She was accompanied home by her daughter, Inez.

Mr. Leslie Fuller of Upton was in town one day last week. He was on his way to Auburn to see his wife who was ill.

Miss Margaret Herrick, who was the holiday guest of her parents Judge and Mrs. A. E. Herrick, returned to Boston, Monday.

Miss Gladys Sparrin returned to Lynn, Mass., Saturday, after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Sparrin.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Staples of Gorham, N. H., spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Truo Eames and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Rich.

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Babineau and daughter of Milan, N. H., Mrs. Howard Tyler and son, Ronald, of Davenport, Iowa, and Mrs. William Murphy of Lewiston are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gleason Swan.

A large crowd attended the dance at Grange Hall, Friday. A good time was reported. Another dance will be held at the same place on Thursday evening of this week. Come and dance the old year out and the new year in.

A young lady who was a holiday guest at Bethel Inn had the misfortune to break a leg Saturday afternoon while sliding on the toboggan slide. The toboggan on which she was sliding was overloaded. She was taken to Boston, Sunday morning where she is resting comfortably in a hospital.

Sunday morning was the coldest for the season, thermometers registering from 10 to 22 below in different parts of the town. A high wind blew all day making it the worst day of the winter. Although the wind subsided through Monday and Tuesday the temperature was several degrees warmer than Sunday.

Sally Chapman, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Chapman, had the misfortune to break an arm last week while sliding on a sleigh with M. J. Macdonald's little son and thinking that the two of them were too much of a load for the pony she got out and was found lying on the ground when a truck came up and found her lying there. The pony who jumped throwing the little girl to the ground and the sleigh passing over her arm breaking it above the elbow. She is resting so comfortably as can be expected.

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ODD FELLOW AND REBEKAH OBSERVANCE

There will be a general get together on Friday evening of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and their families for the observance of the new year. There will be a short program after which light refreshments will be served. The time is eight o'clock and the place is Odd Fellows Hall.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Chapman Street
Services Sunday morning at 10:45.
Subject of the lesson sermon, God.
Sunday School at 10 o'clock.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. S. T. Achenbach, Minister
Sunday, Jan. 3:
10:45: Service for the Church Family, with talk to boys and girls. Let whole families be present on this opening Sabbath of the new year.
12:00: Church School.
7:00: Service in charge of the Christian Endeavorers.

Tuesday, Jan. 5:
7:00: Church rehearsal.
7:55: Meeting of the Forty Club.
8:15: Annual business meeting of the church, with election of officers.

Special notice to all parishioners: Annual Roll Call and Parish Get-Together on Tuesday evening, Jan. 12. Hold date open and plan to attend.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Rev. C. Easternhouse, Minister
Morning service at 10:45. New Year's sermon, "Ring out the Old, Ring in the New." The sermon is based upon Tennyson's great poem by the title.

Sunday School at 12 o'clock.
On account of cold weather the candle light service was postponed and will be held this coming Sunday. An extra musical program has been arranged for Thursday night the Boys' Club will have a New Year's party at the church.

Choir practice at Mrs. Willey's, Tuesday night.
Meeting of the Parish this coming Friday.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. C. B. Oliver, Minister
Church School at 9:45.
Sunday morning church worship at 10:45. A Bunch of Houses or a Community? is the pastor's subject for the morning. Special music is planned.

The Epworth League begins a new list of topics with a new arrangement of leaders. Sunday evening at 6:15-7:15.

7:30 worship hour as follows:
Singing from Hymns of Praise
Responsive Reading
The Call to Prayer
Surprise by Choir, solo anthem or duet.
Scripture.
Sermon, Twenty Six in Here, Boys.

Ladies' Aid meets Thursday with Mrs. Bertha Wheeler. Election of officers. Will every member please be on the spot.

The faithfulness of all who helped during the Christmas season is deeply appreciated. When "we all pull together in all kinds of weather," things move.

On Thursday evening the League Cabinet will meet at the parsonage. Friday evening social and rehearsal at the parsonage. Both at 7:30.

Krep Sunday evening, Jan. 10th in mind.

The Third Young People's Conference is on the way.

Our church makes one resolution for 1926, suggested by a Bethel young man. The vital interests of the Kingdom of God shall have first place.

LOCKE'S MILLS CHURCH

Church School, 1:30-2:50
Worship conducted by the minister at 2:30-3:50.

We begin the year right by putting God first on the first Sunday of the New Year.

FIRE SCARE

The fire department was called out Tuesday evening at 9:50 for a fire in Odd Fellows Block on Main Street.

Smoke was discovered coming out around the windows and doors by two young men who had come out of Hall's pool room. The alarm was sounded but before the hose was connected on it was found that the stove pipe leading from a stove in the ante room to the chimney had fallen down and the hall was filled with smoke. No damage except by smoke.

ENMAN-RAND

The marriage of Lester R. Enman and Miss Marjorie H. Rand, both of Bethel, took place Thursday, Dec. 24, at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. Fred Bryant, at Mechanic Falls. The double ring service was used. The couple was unattended.

Mrs. Enman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dana Rand of Mechanic Street. Mr. Enman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Enman of Rumford but for the past year he has made his home in Bethel.

The couple will reside in Bethel where Mr. Enman will open a barber shop.

SCHOOL NOTES

WEST BETHEL

On the evening of December 18th, the Grange Hall at West Bethel was filled with people who greatly enjoyed the Christmas entertainment given by the school children under the direction of the teachers, Miss Clara Mason and Miss Katherine Brown. This annual event has become an occasion looked forward to for weeks by old as well as young and this year every one seemed filled with the real Christmas spirit and every part was well taken. The singing by the different grades showed much careful training on each teacher's part, no piano accompaniment being used. There seemed not a discordant note in any of the songs which goes to prove that music is of value in our rural schools. The excellent teamwork of teachers and pupils was noticeable throughout the evening.

A very beautiful tree was loaded with gifts. Albert L. Bennett made a jolly Santa Claus appearing after the program.

PROGRAM

Our Greeting, Barbara Martin, Jessie Brooks, Lawrence Perry and Donald Laxton
Song, Stars of December,
Grammar Grades
Recitation, Esther Wheeler
Recitation, Kathryn Lowell
Dialogue, Muriel Martin, Marguerite Brooks, Rosaline Morrill
A Poor Little Boy,
Robert Whitman, Russell Barris
Dialogue, Giving and Receiving,
Seven Children of Grammar Grades
Recitation, If You're Good,
Ruth Jordan
The Best of It, Sherwin Bennett, Wilma Martin, Chester Wheeler
Why, Margaret Bennett
Recitation, Robert Jordan
Christmas Carol,
Five Girls of Grammar Grades
A Modest Wish,
Barbara Martin, George Gilbert
Recitation, Clarence Rolfe
How He Came,
Ernest Westholm
Song, Florine Grover
To Bed, To Bed,
Edwin Bennett
A Surprise,
Arthur Gilbert
Dance of Greetings,
Five Girls of Primary Grades
Recitation, Frederick Grover
Why Do Bells for Christmas Ring,
Phyllis Bennett, Eugene Cushing
Song, The Noisy Toys, Primary Grades
Recitation, Esther Burris
Dialogue, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus,
Roger Wheeler, Marion Jordan
Song, Wilma Martin, Robert Whitman
Dialogue, Nine Girls of Grammar Grades
A Closing Speech, Junior Jordan
Songs, Joy of Harvest, Lincolnshire Poachers,
Chorus from Grammar Grades
A Happy Pair,
Florine Grover, Lawrence Perry
Song, Marguerite Brooks, Wilma and Muriel Martin
Recitation, Just Before Christmas,
Robert Kemell
Song, Santa Claus,
Chorus from Grammar Grades

Those pupils in the grammar grades who received 100 per cent in spelling for the week ending Dec. 18 are as follows:
Albert Wheeler, Grade 5,
Esther Burris, Kathryn Lowell, Grade 6,
Roger Wheeler, Wallace Kemell, Clarence Laxton, Denah Burris, Frederick Grover, Hazel Grover, Clarence Rolfe, Grade 5.
Pupils who did not miss a day during the fourteen weeks of the fall term, in the grammar grades at West Bethel are Denah Burris, Frederick Grover, Esther Burris and Kathryn Lowell. Clarence Rolfe missed one day.

GRANGE NEWS

LONE MOUNTAIN GRANGE

Lone Mountain Grange of Andover held its regular all day meeting in the hall Saturday and decided the following officers:

Master—John L. Bailey.
Overseer—W. W. Perkins.
Lecturer—Mrs. Cora Akers.
Steward—E. M. Haller.
Asst. Steward—Mrs. Rita Perkins.
Chaplain—Mrs. George Andrews.
Treasurer—Miss Sadie Bailey.
Secretary—Mrs. Evelyn Stevens.
Gate Keeper—Mrs. Emma Levey.
Ceres—Mrs. John L. Bailey.
Pomona—Mrs. Rebecca Crossman.
Flora—Mrs. George Leamed.
Charlote—Miss Sadie Bailey.
The officers will be installed on Jan. 21st by Mrs. George Leamed.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE

At the regular meeting of Pleasant Valley Grange, Tuesday evening, Dec. 22, the first and second degrees were conferred on two candidates.

THINGS YOU WANT TO KNOW

(Write this paper for information concerning "Things You Want to Know." Address all communications of this nature at following information Bureau, U. A. Press Association, 1345 H Street, Washington, D. C. Enclose 4 cents if reply is desired.)

Q. Do Indians in the Southwest use prairie dogs for food? N. H. T.
Indians on the Navajo Reservation in Arizona use prairie dogs for food, and occasionally subject to the usual methods of killing these pests by the distribution of poison baits.

Q. How can scorch be taken out of colored goods? V. D. C.
Wash carefully with a mild soap.

Q. How large is Lake Superior? W. W.
It is 400 miles long and 180 miles wide; its area is square miles is 32,000.

Q. What is the meaning of the word "day"? In the Old Testament? L. C.
It apparently refers to the period of light which we call day, but it is also used in ways that may indicate a longer period of time.

Q. What is the population of the Territory of Hawaii? H. M.
The population of the Territory is estimated at 225,017 of which 162,165 are citizens of the United States.

Q. When was the first sleeping car used on an American railroad? V. B. V.
The first sleeping car was used on the Chicago and North Western Railroad in 1839.

Q. Do fish ever go to sleep? A. H. M.
Fish never close their eyes and according to the United States Bureau of Fisheries, they never sleep.

Q. Please explain the use of a vacuum tube as a detector. H. H. N.
In Popular Science the vacuum tube has been described as the radio crystal detector which allows through it in only one direction and that the vacuum tube does the same thing. The electrons will pass from the filament to the plate, but not from the plate to the filament. Accordingly vacuum tubes and crystals have the same properties in this direction and therefore both of them can be used as detectors.

Q. What are the causes of forest fires? A. H. T.
The United States Forest Service says that more than eighty per cent of the fires in our forests are man caused, usually through some form of carelessness or negligence. The increased danger of forest fires has been responsible for burning up millions of dollars worth of forests.

Q. What farms of food should be used by mothers before and after the birth of children? A. H. T.
Write to the United States Children's Bureau, Washington, D. C. for their circular No. 1, entitled "What Mothers Should Eat." It gives full directions for mother's food and diet.

Q. What are the relative advantages of spruce and balsam fir for Christmas trees? H. A. H.
The leaves of the fir are longer and heavier and do not dry out so readily as spruce leaves. The balsam fir will hold its needles longer than spruce under the same conditions.

Q. Is there a monopoly of imported rubber by foreign governments? J. H. H.
Secretary of Commerce Hoover says that "we are now subject to the full result of monopoly action and we have no machinery of adequate defense." He says these monopolies have been created or fostered by foreign governments, leading into detail he says that imports for 1925 will show the same tendency of the United States about 500,000,000, and that this represents approximately 50 per cent of the total rubber consumed in the United States.

Q. What does the word "EUREKA" mean? A. H. T.
The word "Eureka" is the Greek word for "I have found it." It is the word which the ancient Greek philosopher Archimedes used when he discovered the principle of buoyancy.

Q. How high can airplanes fly? A. H. T.
The highest altitude reached by an airplane is 37,000 feet (top of Mt. Everest) which is 29,000 feet above sea level. The highest altitude reached by a man is 29,000 feet (top of Mt. Everest) which is 29,000 feet above sea level.

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Q. How many eggs could you eat on an empty stomach? N. B. T.
Only one egg, because then your stomach would not be empty.

Q. Into what room do you go to have a tooth pulled? E. D. B.
The drawing room.

Q. When did the first steamer cross the Atlantic? B. N. T.
In 1819.

Q. What are kid gloves made of? B. G. T.
From lamb skin or sheep skin.

Q. What are the Templars? We are apt to think of them as members of certain lodges. G. P.
Of course there are Knight Templars, Good Templars, etc. But they were a religious and military order established at Jerusalem, about 1118 to protect pilgrims and the Holy Sepulcher. There were four ranks: knights (heavy horsemen), sergeants (light horsemen), farmers (administrators of temporal), and chaplains.

Q. How is horsepower figured on steamboilers? T. J.
It is a unit of power numerically equal to a rate of 33,000 foot pounds of work per minute, or 550 foot pounds per second. It is the power, theoretically, which a horse exerts.

Q. Where can I sell antique jewelry which came from England at least two hundred years ago? R. X. P.
You will have great trouble getting the highest value fixed on this class of jewelry because you have an intricate and a sentimental value to deal with. We suggest that you write to Tiffany, Jeweler, New York City, giving information and asking for particulars. You can rely upon them.

Q. I am wondering why the United States is paying out millions of dollars while there are salesmen running wide open in this town? Michigan.
You should send full particulars to the Director of Prohibition Enforcement, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C. The Government is using its millions in closing up just such places as you describe, and they would not exist in your community if your local officials were doing their duty. The fault is principally theirs and it would be much easier to make your complaint effective in your own community than to try to make Washington unhappy about it. If you live in a bootlegging law-breaking community, then why do you not try to straighten it up?

Q. What is a "black hander"? R. G. W.
Members of the Black Hand were formerly an anarchistic society of thugs. Afterwards they became a lawless black mailing secret society, especially among the Italians. A lot of them went into competition with stock criminals in America.

Q. Thomas A. Edison used to boast that he spent only three or four hours a night sleeping. Perhaps he finds it necessary to get more sleep as he grows older. Can you tell me about this? M. C.
Edison is now 70 years old and he says that he now sleeps from five to six hours and that "the quality is still perfect."

Q. What becomes of all the Christmas cards that go through the mails but do not reach their destination? H. C. C.
There were more than one million Christmas and New Year's cards sent to the Post Office last year and only a small percentage of them were delivered. The Post Office Department has issued requests this year that the name and address of the sender be placed upon all the cards to insure their return in case the addressee cannot be found.

Q. What right has the United States Senate to reject Senator Nye after he was named to all the places of honor or honor in the United States Senate? H. C. C.
The Senate Committee held that there was no law in North Dakota giving the governor legal authority to appoint a Senator. The Senate is the judge of its own membership and if it appears to be an arbitrary refusal to seat a new member, but decisions have always been based on the facts and the law, and in the case of Mr. Nye the Senate Committee held that he had not been legally chosen by the governor of North Dakota.

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CHILDREN'S DISEASES AND HOW TO PREVENT THEM

As already explained, a child who is to grow and develop normally requires plenty of good food, sleep, exercise and out of door life. In addition special care must be devoted to the prevention of any illness for any illness, however slight, is a hindrance to growth, and every hour spent by him in pain or discomfort means some loss to him and may result in permanent impairment to some organ or some function of his body. Therefore the old idea that a child is destined to have the children's diseases and consequently there should be no methods employed to prevent them is an old fashioned, false idea. Children should be kept from having them and under no condition should any mother let her child be exposed to a disease intentionally. To expose a child intentionally is just like giving some poison to him for it is dangerous both to the child and to the other children in the community.

It has been proven that many of the defects and weaknesses of children have resulted from some of the children's diseases. Measles often leaves deafness in children or perhaps weakens the eyes. Infantile paralysis affects the limbs and often makes cripples of the innocent victims. Whooping cough may result in congestion of the lungs which in turn can easily develop into tuberculosis. Chicken and small pox leave ugly scars on the body. Scarlet fever, diphtheria, typhoid fever may all leave some form of weakness to the body which may seriously impair the health of the child. Last but by no means least is the common cold and sore throat. How prevalent is this disease, (yes, it is a disease), and how often nothing is done to prevent it from spreading from one member of the family to another! And yet how serious it can be. Frequent colds weaken the body and make it susceptible to tuberculosis. Just as much care should be taken of the child who has a cold as of the one who has whooping cough!

The symptoms vary with the disease. But no definite ones can be put down which will hold true in all cases. As soon as any disturbance or sign of illness is noted in a child the advice of a physician is the best thing to get. Either a call to the office or a call of the physician to the home of the child.

The State Department of Health of Maine at Augusta, will send leaflets which have the symptoms, causes, treatment and other information about all the different diseases, to anyone asking for them. (Send to the Department and ask for the reference list of the blanks, circulars and leaflets about disease and sanitation. Then from this list you can check the leaflets you want and the department will send them to you.)

What causes disease?
Diseases are caused in two ways. Through some defect in the functioning of the body, and by germs. To the first class belong anemia, diabetes, etc. The other class includes all the contagious diseases which are caused by taking germs into the body. Each disease has its own particular germ. It is by the communication of these germs that children catch diseases. The forms of communication of disease may arise in various ways. The most common is direct contact with one suffering with the disease. Children who are suffering with some disease as whooping cough, chicken pox, or colds are often allowed to play with other children. This is a grave mistake on the part of the mother for in letting the child out in public the other children are being exposed through contact with the child.

Great care should be taken with the child's diet and clothing that the child does not get any germs into his system in anyone who comes in contact with them.

Many times children get the disease from some unknown cause. When this is the case the chances are that he has come exposed to it through germs which were in the air or through infection from food that he had eaten. Germs do not always get into the body through the air, for sometimes they may enter through the food or water. Tuberculosis is many times caught through infected milk which the child drinks. This is the chief argument why milk should be inspected before it is sold. In the case of typhoid fever, the cause may be through infected or polluted drinking water. This again leads to the argument for sanitary conditions around the home.

Prevention of the spread of disease. The first thing to do is to prevent or check the spread of disease in to isolate the child who has a cold and keep him home from school. So many of the children's diseases start with a cold that many times the child may be "coming down with cold" when he is suspected of having only a cold.

If any child or adult is suspected of having a disease he should be kept away from other people for a few days. A call the physician to his home. This may not mean shutting him up in a room if he is not ill but it means that he should not come in contact with other people or be where they are. In this way if he does have the disease he has not exposed others as he would if he had gone to school or to work.

If a child has the disease he should be kept apart from the rest of the family in a room by himself. No one but the person who was waiting on him should be allowed to enter the room until the doctor so ordered. The dishes which are taken to the sick room should be thoroughly sterilized or boiled when they are brought from the sick room. No food or clothing coming from the sick room should be touched by anyone of the nurse. Bedding, etc., should be boiled.

Nowadays the doctor notifies the health officer of any diseases in a community and he in turn puts a quarantine on the houses or rooms where the disease is. The family should not feel antagonistic toward him for he is helping them to check the disease.

Vaccination is the most common prevention of certain diseases. In many states there is a law that all children must be vaccinated when they enter school. This is an excellent law, for not only does it prevent the child himself from getting the disease but it also prevents any epidemic from arising in the community. May the time come when the compulsory vaccination laws will be in effect in every state.

In the case of epidemics in a school, the authorities generally close the schools. If this is the case the parents should cooperate with them in preventing the spread of the disease, by keeping the children home. If, when school is closed, the children still are allowed to stay all together there is still the danger of the spread of the disease and it would be much better to keep the school open.

Two or three times a year the school building, books, etc., should be thoroughly fumigated and freshly cleaned. Likewise, after illness in a home the rooms should be cleaned and in case of contagious diseases, should be fumigated. Keep children away from others who have a disease.

Keep other children in the family from getting it if one already has it. Cooperate with the school officials to prevent epidemics.

Keep the child having the disease isolated. Have the child vaccinated. Be sure that the water and milk is not infected. Teach the child not to cough, sneeze, spit, etc., except in a cloth or such. Keep the child strong and healthy so that he will not be susceptible to disease.

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INTERNATIONAL

Jan. 1—France informally offered to pay United States debt in ninety years.

Jan. 1—International opium conference opened in Geneva.

Jan. 2—Japan and Russia signed treaty of mutual diplomatic recognition, with clause giving Japan naval oil reserves on Sakhalin.

Jan. 2—Mexico withdrew from League of Nations.

Feb. 6—United States withdrew from international opium conference.

March 1—Marshall Islands military committee found Germany's violations of Versailles.

April 2—United States maritime patrol in Honduras to protect foreign interests during reboiler.

April 2—International conference on control of arms opened in Geneva.

May 11—Abd-el-Krim returned to Algeria from Spain and France.

May 22—Germany failed to elect Reichstag.

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EVENTS OF 1925
SEEN IN REVIEWNoteworthy Happenings of
the Past Year in the
United States and
Elsewhere.

LOCARNO PACT SIGNED

Powers of Western Europe Make
Treaties That Promise Security
and Peace—Revolt of Islam Is
Growing—Prosperity and Tax
Reduction for Americans—
Storm Over Air Service.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

Standing far above all other events of the year 1925 is the signing of the Locarno treaties. Though they do not mean the immediate coming of the millennium, they do mean that the European powers have decided that war does not pay, and they give to western Europe at least a measurable assurance of security and peace. This holds good so long as the signatory powers keep the promises made in the pact, and should any of them fail to do so, the League of Nations is ready to step in. Germany has resumed her place in the family of nations, and as the year drew to a close there was great hope that soviet Russia would abandon her voluntary isolation and consent to closer association with the "capitalistic powers" that she has so long contemned. Locarno was a magnificent triumph for Austria, Chamberlain, Aristide Briand, Dr. Hans Luther and Herr Stresemann, the statesmen mainly responsible for the treaties, and for the legislators and people in their respective countries who gave them hearty support.

Another important development of the year was the growing revolt of Islam against the rule of Christian powers. This manifested itself especially in the war in the East maintained against France and Spain throughout the year by Abd-el-Krim, and in the rebellion against the French regime in Syria. The latter was primarily carried on by the Druses, non-moslem tribesmen, but the Mohammedan Arabs took at times an active part in it. Turkey took warlike measures because she was contending the League of Nations would settle the Mosul dispute in favor of Great Britain; and in Egypt there was a war that occasionally broke out into violence.

Twelve more months of almost incessant civil warfare complicated by bolshevik plotting and threatened uprisings against foreigners, was the record of China. Nevertheless the central government was maintained and the international conference at Peking held out some promise of settling the affairs of the distracted country.

The United States was blessed with general prosperity and progress during the year, and this was reflected in the bill introduced in the Sixty-ninth congress providing for reduction of taxes which would reduce the national revenue by \$325,706,000. Enforcement of the prohibition law continued to be a serious problem, but toward the end of the year the government adopted a new policy that promised to go far toward keeping illicit liquor out of the country. During many months a storm raged around the air services of the army and navy, due largely to the sensational charges made by Col. William Mitchell, for which he was tried by court-martial, and suspended for five years. His plan of an independent department of aviation was turned down by the President. The controversy was actuated by the tragic destruction of the dirigible Shenandoah in a storm and by the failure of an attempted seaplane flight to Hawaii.

INTERNATIONAL
AFFAIRS

Prompted by Great Britain, the German government suggested the international conference that finally resulted in the Locarno treaties. But there were months of "conversations," exchanges of notes and secret talks before the great fact was accomplished. Briand was forced to move cautiously because of political complications, and Luther and Stresemann always had the irreconcilable German nationalists to contend with. It was on October 5 that the foreign ministers of France, Germany, Great Britain, Belgium, Italy, Poland and Czechoslovakia came together in the little town of Locarno. Eleven days later they had completed their task, and on December 1 the Locarno treaties were formally signed in London. The main treaty, known as the Locarno pact, binds France and Germany and Belgium to respect the boundaries between these countries as fixed by the Treaty of Versailles; each promises not to attack either of the others; and Great Britain and Italy guarantee the inviolability of the frontiers. Provision is made for referring disputes to a conciliation commission, the permanent court of international justice or the council of the League of Nations. Treaties were signed between Greece and Bulgaria and Germany and Czechoslovakia, and subsidiary pacts France guaranteed the carrying out of these. The allies made immediate plans for speeding the evacuation of the Cologne area

and the reduction of their forces in the Rhineland.

As soon as the security pact became a certainty, President Coolidge let it be known that he would like to call an international conference on land disarmament in Washington. The reaction to this in Europe, especially in France, was not favorable because the League of Nations was planning the same thing. Early in December the league's disarmament council announced that a special commission would be created to prepare for such a conference, and the United States and Soviet Russia were invited to appoint representatives on that commission.

The League of Nations, which held its annual meeting in Geneva in September with Senator Raoul Dandaneau of Canada as president, received Great Britain's protest against violation of the Mosul frontier by Turkey and referred the dispute over that rich oil region to the World Court. The court ruled that the league's council was competent to decide the matter, and in December the council awarded all of the vilayet except a worthless strip to Iraq, at the same time extending the British mandate over Iraq to twenty-five years. Turkey protested angrily, but was somewhat mollified by Britain's offer to negotiate a permanent peace on the Iraq frontier, with hints of compensation for the oil lands. The council of the league was called on to prevent one war, and did so. Greece and Bulgaria were ready to fight over some trouble on the Macedonian frontier, and the Greeks went so far as to invade Bulgarian territory and occupy several towns. The league council ordered that hostilities cease at once, saw to it that the order was obeyed, and sent a mission to settle the dispute. Greece was found at fault and was ordered to pay damages to Bulgaria.

Abd-el-Krim's attempt to drive the French from the Rif and establish an independent government in that part of Morocco was not successful, but caused the two European powers much trouble and expense. They joined forces against the Rif leader, and after the Spanish effected a landing in Alhucemas bay in September Krim was virtually surrounded and was driven into the mountains. A group of American aviators formed an escadrille and helped in the fight against the Moroccan chieftain.

Strikes in the Shanghai cotton mills, fostered by Russian bolshevik agents who sought to stir up civil war in China, resulted in fatal rioting in May and the anti-foreign threats made necessary the landing of American and European bluejackets and the arming of a force of foreign volunteers. This only enraged the Chinese the more and the government at Peking was utterly unable to straighten out the trouble. On August 5 the Washington treaties relating to Chinese customs and the open door went into effect, and in October the international conference to carry them out began its sessions in Peking. China demanded autonomy in the matter of the tariff, and the conference agreed to give it this not later than January 1, 1926, provided that in the meantime China should abolish the likin.

Great progress was made in the settlement of international debts. In August Great Britain granted exceedingly liberal terms to France, but with the provision that if France obtained less favorable terms from the United States the British would insist on the same terms that the United States exacted. The French mission spent some time in Washington but was unable to satisfy the demands of the American debt commission and went home with a temporary plan which was rejected by the French parliament. In December, when Briand became premier again, M. Beranger was appointed ambassador to Washington for the purpose of reopening negotiations. The American debts of Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Italy and Rumania were arranged satisfactorily to these countries.

President Coolidge, to whom the long standing dispute between Peru and Chile over Tacna and Arica provinces had been referred, sent General Pershing down there to arrange and conduct a plebiscite of the inhabitants of the region. The Chileans protested when he deferred the date of the plebiscite until April 15, 1926, and appealed to President Coolidge.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Politics in Great Britain were not especially eventful. The Liberal party recovered somewhat from its crushing defeat in the elections of 1924, and Herbert Asquith, who was raised to the peerage as the earl of Oxford, was continued as its leader. Lloyd George pledged to him his unqualified loyalty. The Labor party did all in its power to combat the Baldwin government but was itself badly split between radicals and conservatives. All these parties and elements except the radical Laborites were kept busy fighting the schemes of the Communists. The government refused to admit foreign Communists to the country to attend the conference of the British Communist party in Glasgow, and later canceled the permits of many Communists to live in Great Britain.

What was called one of the most important events in the post-war history of the British Empire occurred on April 28, when Great Britain returned to the gold standard. Australia and New Zealand took this step at the same time and the Union of South Africa followed suit on July 1. Canada was already back on a gold basis, so that at the mid-year the currency of the entire empire was virtually on a pre-war footing. France's troubles, aside from the

warfare in Morocco and Syria, were mainly financial. Premier Herriot held on until April 10, when the government's financial bill was defeated in parliament. Paul Painleve thereupon became premier and he gave the finance portfolio to Joseph Caillaux, who was convicted during the war of treason. Aristide Briand took the post of foreign minister. Caillaux was no more successful than his predecessors and the cabinet resigned October 27. Painleve formed a new ministry, but this went on the rocks in November. Briand was made premier again and Louis Loucheur, one of the wealthiest of Frenchmen, became minister of finance. His plans were rejected and he gave place to Paul Doumer.

The revolt of the Druses in Syria, held by France under a mandate, became serious in July and the tribesmen defeated the French forces several times. They filtered into Damascus and started an uprising there in the suppression of which the French shelled the Moslem quarters of the ancient city and battered it to pieces. Reinforcements were poured into Syria but the tribesmen kept up a harassing guerrilla warfare which was extended into Lebanon.

Germany's new Reichstag convened January 5 and Dr. Hans Luther became chancellor, pledging himself to maintain the republic and the Dawes plan. The Monarchists and Nationalists were strong in his cabinet. March 20 the first popular elections for president were held and resulted in no candidate receiving a majority. The Nationalists and several other groups then made Field Marshal von Hindenburg their nominee, and at the second elections, held April 28, he was elected. It was freely predicted that this meant the early restoration of the German empire, but the old soldier took the pledge of loyalty to the republic and thereafter gave not the slightest indication that he desired a return to monarchism.

In December the cabinet resigned so that a new ministry fully in favor of the Locarno treaties might be formed.

Benoito Mussolini continued to rule Italy with a firm hand, and the position of the Fascist was strengthened in the autumn by a split in the opposition, the Maximalist Socialists severing their connection with the other groups forming the Aventine bloc. The dictator began the year by taking steps to suppress the opposition organizations and newspapers, and before the twelfth month was ended the parliament had at his behest passed a number of laws, electoral and otherwise, that made Fascism supreme and Mussolini's dictatorship complete. In November the parliament uncovered a plot to assassinate the premier and overthrow the government, and one result of this was a renewal of measures to suppress the Freemasons.

Primo de Rivera, dictator of Spain, caused some surprise in December by announcing that the time to end the military dictatorship had come. He formed a civilian cabinet, retaining the position of premier. On the whole the rule of the directory seemed to have been beneficial to the country. In Portugal cabinet crises, small military revolts and Communist uprisings were rather frequent. Belgium experienced several changes of ministers, and so did Poland, where Skrynski came into power in November.

General Pangalos led a successful military and naval coup d'etat in Greece in June and the government was upset without bloodshed. Pangalos thereupon became premier. In September he dissolved the national assembly and ordered new elections.

Soviet Russia did not gain the confidence of the other powers to any great extent, for the diplomatic efforts of her rulers in that line were offset by the continuance of bolshevik propaganda abroad. Having failed to entice the proletariat of western Europe, they turned their attention especially to Japan and China. At home their chief concern was the state of mind of the Russian peasant, which was so dissatisfied that revolt was in the air. As usual, there were crop failures in various districts and famine conditions were predicted, despite what the government expected what for political purposes.

To foster industries and attract foreign capital the Soviet government took steps during the year which led it farther and farther away from its Communist ideals. Industrial plants were returned to their former owners under lease and private capitalists were permitted to enter trade. (Graft in government circles was sternly suppressed, on one occasion 12 officials being sentenced to death for this crime.)

Egypt got into trouble with Great Britain when a group of radicals murdered Sir Lee Stack, the British High Commissioner. The British exacted the death penalty for the assassins and compelled the Egyptian government to yield certain concessions that lightened the British grip on the disputed Sudan territory.

Ahmad Mirza, the young shah of Persia, enjoyed life so much in Paris that he refused to return to his country, so on October 31 the parliament deposed him and put an end to his dynasty. Riza Khan, the premier who once was a common soldier, assumed the throne as King Tahmasp. A. C. Millspaugh, American, is still administrator general of the finance of Persia, having made an excellent record for the year.

Conditions in Arabia were unsettled during the year, owing to the intermittent warfare between Ali, king of the Hedjaz, and the Saud, king of

Nejd and leader of the Wahabites. Ibn captured Mecca, but was defeated by Ali at Jeddah.

Captain Amundsen made a spectacular attempt to fly over the North pole, hopping off from Spitzbergen with two planes on May 21. The expedition succeeded in getting within 150 miles of the pole but was forced to descend and lost one of the planes. After great hardships the intrepid explorers returned to Spitzbergen on June 18.

Latin America had a comparatively uneventful year, which means there were fewer revolutions than usual. On January 23 the navy junta government of Chile was overthrown by army officers and a few days later the army and navy reached a peaceful agreement and recalled President Alessandri from his voluntary exile in Europe. In October Alessandri resigned and was succeeded by Emiliano Figueroa. Solarzano was inaugurated President of Nicaragua in January, and Barnabona of Honduras. On August 3 the American marines were withdrawn from Nicaragua after keeping the peace there for 12 years. In Bolivia Jose Villanueva was elected President but would not promise subservience to the party of President Saavedra, so at the instance of the latter the congress declared the election void. On September 3 Saavedra turned over the office of chief executive to the president of the senate and new elections were ordered.

DOMESTIC AFFAIRS

Presidential elections of the states met January 12 and went through the formality of voting for President and vice president of the United States. Calvin Coolidge and Charles G. Dawes were declared elected, and on March 4 they were duly inaugurated. Before that event congress had put through the usual grant of appropriation bills and had passed a measure increasing postal rates and the pay of postal employees. It also raised the salaries of its own members to \$10,000 and of the cabinet members to \$15,000.

Associate Justice McKenna of the Supreme court resigned January 4 and the president appointed Attorney General Harlan F. Stone to the vacancy. A few days later he nominated Charles E. Warren of Michigan to be attorney general. When the senate met in special session after the inauguration of its first acts was to reject the Warren nomination because of his former business connections. The President sent in the name again, and again it was rejected. Mr. Coolidge thereupon nominated John G. Sargent for the place and he was accepted. Secretary of State Hughes retired from the cabinet on March 4, and was succeeded by Frank B. Rowan, then ambassador to Great Britain. Secretary of War Weeks, who had been ill for many months, resigned on October 13, and Dwight F. Davis, assistant secretary, was given the portfolio. Mr. Davis' position was filled by the appointment of Col. Harbord MacNider, former national commander of the American Legion. William M. Jardine of Kansas was made secretary of agriculture on February 14. A change in the White House itself that was of especial interest to politicians was the resignation of G. B. Hays as secretary to the President and the appointment of Everett Sanders of Indiana.

President Coolidge spent the summer vacation at Swampscott, Mass., and during the year he made several trips for the purpose of delivering addresses. The more important of these were to St. Paul, Minn., for the Norse-American centennial celebration; to Omaha for the meeting of the American Legion, and to Chicago for the convention of the American Farm Bureau federation. Vice President Dawes was exceedingly active in carrying on his campaign for revision of the rules of the senate, making speeches on that topic in many parts of the country. When the Sixty-ninth congress opened its sessions on December 7 he was ready to go on with his fight, but without glittering prospects of success.

The Republicans were in full control of the new congress, but the insurgent bloc in the party was there again undaunted by disciplinary measures by which its members were deprived of most of their important committee assignments. In the lower house they refused to support the Republican candidate for speaker, Nicholas Longworth of Ohio, who nevertheless was elected. The Republicans also amended the rules concerning discharge of committees so that a majority of the house must sign a petition to take legislation out of a committee's hands and place it before the house. In the lower house six women members—Mrs. Rogers of Massachusetts and Mrs. Kahn of California on the Republican side and Mrs. Norton of New Jersey on the Democratic side. With a vast number of bills introduced at the beginning of the session, the house put at the top of the list the tax reduction measure that had been prepared by the ways and means committee during the fall, and at once went to work on it. This bill proposed a cut in income and other taxes that would reduce the national revenues by more than \$250,000,000. It was virtually a nonpartisan measure and seemed assured of passage.

Aside from Vice President Dawes' effort to reform the senate procedure, interest in the upper house at first centered on the attitude of Senator Robert M. LaFollette, Jr., of Wisconsin, who had been elected to succeed his late father, the leader of the insurgent bloc. The young man gave every indication that he would follow closely in the footsteps of his sire. Another of the radical senators had passed away—Senator Ladd of North Dakota—and Governor Sordlie had appointed Gerald F. Nye, an avowed follower of LaFollette, to succeed him. Some of

the senators opposed the seating of Mr. Nye on the ground that the governor had no right, under the state constitution, to fill a senatorial vacancy. Senator Ralston of Indiana, a Democratic wheelhorse, died October 14 and A. R. Robinson, Republican, was appointed to fill the vacancy. Senator Spencer of Missouri also passed away and his place was filled by George H. Williams.

One of the most spectacular political battles of recent times was that waged for the majority of New York. It began with a hot contest for the Democratic nomination between Gov. Al Smith and Tammany, whose choice was State Senator "Jimmy" Walker and the Hearst following, which urged the renomination of Mayor Hylan. Tammany won out, and in the election Walker was easily the victor over F. D. Waterman, the Republican nominee.

Col. William Mitchell, by his determined fight to improve the air service of the army and navy, made his name a household word. Early in the year his outspoken criticisms of his superiors resulted in his removal from the office of assistant chief of the army air service, but he kept on talking and writing until the War department had to order his trial by court-martial. Meanwhile the President had appointed a special board to inquire into the condition of the air service, and this board, after lengthy hearings, made a report upholding Mitchell in many of his criticisms. It condemned, however, his pet scheme for making the air service an independent department.

Having no warfare, no really serious business or economic troubles, and not much in the way of politics, the people of the United States devoted a great deal of attention to prohibition, its enforcement and its violation. It could not be denied that the dry law was not being thoroughly enforced, so in June General Andrews, assistant secretary of the treasury, was put in full charge of the job. He made a sweeping reorganization of the federal enforcement machinery, depriving Prohibition Commissioner Haynes of most of his powers and dividing the country into 24 districts with administrators responsible to him.

There is little need to remind readers of the Scopes trial in Dayton, Tenn., in which the school teacher was convicted of violating the state law forbidding the teaching of any theory of the origin of mankind contrary to that found in the Bible. With William Jennings Bryan leading the prosecution and Clarence Darrow, Chicago attorney, chief counsel for the defense, the contest was between fundamentalism and liberalism, and the people of the country learned more about Charles Darwin and the theory of evolution than they would otherwise in a lifetime. However, there could be no "decision" in this contest. Mr. Scopes was found guilty on his own admission that he had violated the law. Only a few days after the close of the trial, on July 20, Mr. Bryan was found dead in bed.

INDUSTRIAL AND
LABOR

Only one great strike marred the year's record in the United States. The anthracite miners had been demanding an increase in wages and the adoption of the check-off system by the operators, and after long and futile negotiations the men were called out of the mines on September 1. Because the stock of coal was large and owing to the use of oil and other substitutes, the consumer did not suffer greatly, but the effects of the strike on the miners and operators and the business men of the mining towns were serious. President Coolidge refused to interfere but asked congress to give the Chief Executive and the secretaries of commerce and labor the authority to intervene in such crises. The American Federation of Labor held its annual meeting in Atlantic City in October, turned down all propositions for co-operation with the Russian trade unions and recognition of the Soviet government, and re-elected President Green and all other officers.

The Supreme Court of the United States on April 13 held unconstitutional that part of the Kansas industrial court act providing for compulsory arbitration of labor disputes. In October it ruled against the Arizona minimum wage law for women. A special federal court of equity exonerated the International Harvester company of trust charges, and Secretary of Agriculture Jardine dismissed the federal charges against the merger of the Armour and Morris packing concerns. Violent fluctuations of prices on the Chicago Board of Trade aroused the ire of farmers and of Secretary Jardine, and at his insistence the board in October adopted stringent rules to prevent price manipulation.

DISASTERS

Nature was not kind to the human race during the year, for earthquakes, tornadoes and floods took heavy toll of lives and property. In the United States the spectacular disaster was the destruction of the great navy dirigible Shenandoah in a storm over Ohio on September 3 as the airship was on her way to some state fairs in the Middle West. Commander Zachary Lansdowne and 34 men at his crew were killed. Another disaster befell the navy on September 24 when the submarine S-51 was rammed by a steamship off the Rhode Island coast and went down with 33 men. Among other disasters were these: In February: Mine explosion in Dortmund, Germany, killed 123; Kansas City live stock pavilion and motor show burned, the loss being \$2,500,000; mine explosion at Sullivan, Ind., killed 51. In March: Thousands died in earthquake in central China;

tornadoes in southern Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Tennessee and Alabama killed about 800. In May: Mississippi river steamer capsized, 22 drowning; destructive earthquake on Japan's west coast; explosion in North Carolina coal mine killed 52. In June: Seventeen killed by mine explosion at Sturgis, Ky., 45 killed in train wreck in New Jersey; earthquake wrecked Santa Barbara, Cal., killing 11 and destroying \$25,000,000 in property. In July: Fifty killed by collapse of dance hall in Boston. In August: Fifty killed by boiler explosion on excursion steamer near Newport, R. I.; Italian submarine lost with crew of 40. In September: Mine explosion in Corea killed 150. In October: Eighteen killed in train wreck near Memphis, Tenn. In November: British submarine lost with crew of 3; three-million dollar fire on New Orleans docks; west coast of Florida ravaged by storms. In December: Fifty-three miners killed by gas explosion near Birmingham, Ala.

NECROLOGY

Outstanding among the names of those claimed by death during the year are these: In January: Archbishop Henry Moeller of Cincinnati; Guernsey Moore and George Bellows, American artists; Dr. Norman Bridge, Chicago physician and philanthropist; Harry Furness, English cartoonist and author; D. O. Reid, "tin plate king"; John C. Eastman, publisher of Chicago Journal; Field Marshal Baron Grenfell, British soldier; George W. Cable, American author.

In February: John Lane, English publisher; Julius Fleischmann, Cincinnati millionaire; Thomas W. Lawson, Boston financier; Mrs. Clio Bracken, American sculptress; Fred W. Upham, Republican leader of Chicago; M. H. DeYoung, publisher of San Francisco Chronicle; President Marion Burton of University of Michigan; James Lane Allen, American author; Hjalmar Branting, former premier of Sweden; Medill McCormick, U. S. senator from Illinois; Friedrich Ebert, President of Germany.

In March: William A. Clark, copper magnate; Bishop W. A. Quayle of Kansas; Dr. Sun Yat-sen, first President of Chinese republic; Marquis Curzon of Kedleston; Lord Raglan, son, commander of British forces in India.

In April: Jean de Reszke, famous tenor; Archbishop Christie of Oregon; Elwood Haynes, inventor of first automobile; John S. Sargent, American painter; Ralph D. Paine, American author; G. S. Sanderson, secretary of United States senate.

In May: Viscount Leverhulme, English "ship king"; Maj. Gen. H. A. Bandholtz, U. S. A.; Herbert Quaker, American author; W. P. Massey, premier of New Zealand; Miss Amy Lowell, poet and critic; Gen. Charles Mangin, defender of Verdun; Viscount Milner, English statesman; Sir Henry Alder Haggard, English author; Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles; S. P. Spencer, U. S. senator from Missouri; Field Marshal French, earl of Ypres; Dr. Ernest D. W. Burton, president of University of Chicago; Louis Falk, noted organist.

In June: Former Vice President Thomas R. Marshall; Camille Flammarion, French astronomer; Pierre Louys, French author; Vance Thompson, American author; Warren A. Stone, president of Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; Julius Kraftschmitt, railway magnate; Edmund T. James, American educator; R. M. LaFollette, United States senator from Wisconsin; E. F. Ladd, United States senator from North Dakota.

In July: D. W. Tryon, American painter; Rear Admiral G. W. Williams; Cardinal Begin, archbishop of Quebec; Dr. A. J. Ochsner, famous American surgeon; William Jennings Bryan; Mrs. Helen H. Gardner, author and educator; Edgar A. Bancroft, American ambassador to Japan.

In August: George Gray, former senator from Delaware; John Temple Graves of Georgia; Victor P. Lawson, publisher of Chicago News; Sir George Goldie, founder of Nigeria.

In September: E. B. Steadlin, New York banker; Reginald C. Vanderbilt; Rene Viviani, French statesman; Paul Bartlett, American sculptor; A. C. Bedford, Standard Oil magnate; James Deering, Chicago capitalist; Ada Lewis, American actress; Louis Hourgeols, French statesman.

In October: Christy Mathewson, famous baseball pitcher; James B. Duke, tobacco magnate and philanthropist; S. M. Halston, United States senator from Indiana; Eugene Sandow, famous strong man; Gen. Isaac Sherwood of Ohio; Bishop Frederick Burgess of Long Island; Bishop E. J. Parker of New Hampshire; Dr. H. J. Waters, agricultural expert and editor; Job Harriman, Socialist leader; St. E. Allen, Washington banker; Gen. Felix Agnus, publisher of Baltimore American.

In November: P. A. Lannon of Salt Lake City; Khal Din, emperor of Annam; Eldridge G. Snow, New York banker; Domingo Da Gama, Brazilian statesman; A. J. Earling, former president of C. M. & St. P. railway; Alexander, queen of Jordan; Reginald C. Vanderbilt; King of Siam; Andrew Fletcher, president American Locomotive company.

In December: Dr. A. E. Nighland and Dr. F. A. Parker, veteran educators; Ladislav Rejzner, Polish author; Ed. H. Moore, Democratic leader of Ohio; P. S. Hill, president of American Tobacco company; Rev. William Wilkinon, bishop of Wall Street; John M. Booth, Canadian lumber magnate; Maj. Gen. Harry E. Rogers, retired; R. C. Hicks, whom property custodian.

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COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1925.

The following list of taxes on real estate of resident owners in the Town of Bethel aforesaid, for the year 1925, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 2nd day of May, 1925, remain unpaid, and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1926, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name	Description of Property	Tax	Charges
Anger, Alex. L.	Homestead Farm, Part of E. B. Shaw Land,	137.89	\$1.00
Baraka, Geo. E.	Homestead Farm,	5.40	1.00
Stallan, Charles	Homestead Farm,	2.70	1.00
Shaver, Mrs. Olive	Homestead Farm, 43.50	1.00	
Heirs of	Homestead Farm, 40.80	1.00	
Dever, E. Payson	Homestead Farm, 7.20	1.00	
	Homestead Farm, 59.40	1.00	
	Homestead Farm, 10.80	1.00	
	Meadow Lot, 23-1,	5.40	1.00
	N. 12 Island,	14.40	1.00
Dever, W. H.	Homestead Farm,	21.60	1.00
	Homestead Farm, 3.60	1.00	
Jordan, Earl	Homestead Farm, 36.00	1.00	
	Field and Barn,	108.00	1.00
Mills, G. H.	Homestead Farm,	32.40	1.00
Mason, Ernest	Homestead Farm,	10.80	1.00
Verrell, Harry	Homestead Farm,	9.00	1.00
Stegard, George	Homestead Farm,	24.00	1.00
Orchard, Mrs. Carl	Homestead Farm, 43.50	1.00	
Heirs of			
Vashaw, Mike	Homestead Farm,	21.60	1.00
Holman, Lot,	Homestead Farm,	3.60	1.00
Verrell, Fred C.	Homestead Farm,	43.50	1.00

December 15th, 1925.

D. M. FORBES,

Collector of Taxes of the Town of Bethel.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Albany, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1925.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Albany aforesaid, for the year 1925, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 16th day of June, 1925, remain unpaid, and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Albany Town House in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1926, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name	Description of Property	Tax	Charges
Barney Peterson	Lot 2, Range 10, one fourth acre,		
	Land \$10.00; Buildings, \$143.90,	\$14.17	
W. A. Hayner	Lot 12, Range 11, 2 acres, land \$25.00,	7.92	
John Westfall	Lot 12, Range 11, 2 acres, land \$150.00,	14.17	
Mrs. Roland Haskett			
Mrs. Eliza Hargis	Lot 12, Range 11, 20 acres, land \$230.00,	11.67	
Edna Baker, Heirs of			
John Kimball	Lot 12, Range 11, 20 acres, land \$100.00,	7.92	
Henry H. King	Lot 12, Range 11, 20 acres, land \$150.00,	14.17	

December 14th, 1925.

W. J. DECKER,

Collector of Taxes of the Town of Albany.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Monro, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1925.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Monro aforesaid, for the year 1925, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 17th day of June, 1925, remain unpaid, and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at the Town House in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1926, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name	Description of Property	Tax	Charges
S. M. H. Estate	Pasture and Timber, Lot 4, Range 1,	27.20	4.00

December 19th, 1925.

F. J. DEAN,

Collector of Taxes of the Town of Monro.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Upton, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1925.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Upton aforesaid, for the year 1925, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 15th day of May, 1925, remain unpaid, and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at the School House in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1926, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name	Description of Property	Tax	Charges
Harry Amey	12 Lot 2, Range 10, 1/4 Acre, 418.70	\$1.00	

December 15th, 1925.

EDWIN ARBUTT,

Collector of Taxes of the Town of Upton.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Norway, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1925.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Norway aforesaid, for the year 1925, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 15th day of May, 1925, remain unpaid, and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall, Norway, on the first Monday in February, 1926, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name	Description of Property	Tax	Charges
Robert C. A.	Wine Land of Boston Lumber Co.,	408.00	\$2.00

December 19th, 1925.

BRYAN B. WRIGHT,

Collector of Taxes of the Town of Norway.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1925.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Bethel aforesaid, for the year 1925, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 2nd day of May, 1925, remain unpaid, and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1926, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name	Description of Property	Tax	Charges
Andrews, Edwin	Frank Cummings Stand,	10.80	2.00
Heirs of	Part of W. W. Russell Land,	20	2.00
Gidley, George A.	Land of W. W. Hastings Pasture,	18.80	2.00
Whitcomb, Isabelle	Orchard, Mill Hill,	14.40	2.00
	Frye Lot,	36.00	2.00
	Harris Lot,	180.00	2.00

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Bethel Village Corporation, in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1925.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Bethel Village Corporation aforesaid, for the year 1925, committed to me for collection for said Corporation on the 29th day of May, 1925, remain unpaid, and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at the Corporation Building in District No. 12, in said Corporation, on the first Monday in February, 1926, at half past nine o'clock A. M.

Name	Description of Property	Tax	Charges
Gidley, George A.	Land of W. W. Hastings Pasture	\$1.80	\$2.00
Whitcomb, Isabelle	Orchard Mill Hill,	2.40	2.00
	Frye Lot,	6.00	2.00
	Harris Lot,	30.00	2.00

GOLDEN RULE AND WORLD PEACE

By DR. S. PARKES CADMAN

President of the Federal Council of Churches.

In this powerful appeal for the adoption of the Golden Rule as a guiding principle in international relations, the great radio preacher holds up as an example in constructive international charity the work of the Near East Relief, which makes its annual appeal for the support of the American people on Golden Rule Sunday, observed annually in December.

NOTHING in the history of the American people of recent years so becomes them as their attitude towards the unhappy and persecuted people who have been the beneficiaries of the great work of the Near East Relief. At this season when the annual appeal for the support of this work is made, through the observance of Golden Rule Sunday, it is an overwhelmingly gratifying thing to hear the reports of the triumphs and successes of this philanthropy.

I have been hearing of the horrors of the Near East from the days of my

early youth. When Mr. Gladstone conducted his memorable campaign in which he denounced the Turk and urged that the Turks should be thrust bag and baggage out of their country. The horrors have continued ever since, but our country has been an instrument in alleviating them by contributions out of its abundance to the crucial need of the distressed orphans and what few unhappy relatives they have left to them.

We can do no better thing than to give for those who are in need, and thus make such merchandise out of our material wealth as to have credit for the life which is to come. I do not take the attitude that there is anything much to praise about the American people in this matter, though I am proud of them, as we all are. It would have been a strange thing if we had not done as we have done.

When you think of the millions which are squandered in this country upon feminine devices for beautification which do not always succeed in realizing their object—when you think of the vast cost of trying to make motionless the hand when you think of the multitude of surplus things with which we surround ourselves in daily life, and then see this work for these children, I think you will agree with me that even though our politi-

cal promises have not always been realized, at any rate we have tried to retain the credit of our people by contributing generously to this work, which we must continue to sustain.

As a churchman, I may be permitted to point out that the Near East Relief has contributed enormously to the cause of church unity. At Stockholm a few weeks ago I had the privilege of conferring with all the patriarchs and metropolitans and archbishops of the Greek church. They assured me that they have been drawn toward the West not by the common



DR. S. PARKES CADMAN

consent of intellectual minds nor by the doctors of the church, but rather through the work of Near East Relief. That work has won the hearts of great bishops as well as religious and politicians. Truly we have seen the truth of the saying that a little child shall lead them. The little Armenian orphan, Zadi, whom thousands have heard sing and talk at the preliminary Golden Rule dinners in a hundred cities of this country, is a five-year-old representation of thousands of these Eastern peoples, whom we have approached not with theology or dogma, but with those deeds of mercy which are the very essence of true religion.

There is a lesson of world peace in this philanthropic approach to the hearts of men. We must follow it up with this decision that we will not allow the state in the future to dictate to the church or to any body of men as to what shall be their attitude toward peace and war. We must take our part in the preaching of the prophets. Unless we want a fund like this every fifty years to repair the recurrent waves of slaughter and devastation, we must cling to the spirit of the Golden Rule. The quality of mercy is not strained. It dripseth as the gentle rain from heaven. It blesseth him that gives and him that takes. It becomes the thousand men which better than his crown.

It is twilight of a still cold night. Out in the corral can be seen the shadowy forms of the pack, while here at our side is Walden with Chinook. Walden raises his finger, shaking it slightly, and initiates the least drawn bow of the husky. Out in the corral, maybe, a single dog hears and answers.

Instantly, Chinook raises his muzzle to the darkening sky, and the very hills seem to vibrate to the clear howl. A ghostly something creeps over you. Soon as you may, you will have never heard such a howl at such

And Makes Itself Heard
An English scientist has proved that a cat cannot see in the dark. Nevertheless it somehow manages to get around at night. —Tulsa, Okla.

Handy Magnet
A fly magnet kept in the sewing basket will be an aid in picking up a dropped needle or bit of broken thread that are dangerous if left on the floor.

There is Unexpected Thrill in Dog Racing

Something Gripping in Mere Sight of Perfectly Trained Team. New Hampshire Will Have Big Race in February. Chinook, Famous Leader of Walden Pack, Has Run His Last Race, But Is Still King at Wonalancet Farm.

Photo by J. D. Hunting, N. Conway, N. H.
CHINOOK, WALDEN'S FAMOUS LEAD DOG

(From N. H. Publicity Bureau)

Have you ever seen a sled-dog race? Or even a well-trained team of real sled dogs galloping over the snow, turning, stopping, breaking into full speed, all at the shouted command of their master?

Not? Then you have missed a thrill you can never experience until you actually witness it. Something that grips you, brings a lump in your throat and a mist to your eyes.

For the puller there is the thrill in the long drive, the perfect curving 40-foot pull. Football has it in the well-executed pass or the fierce tackle. Any close race between horses, men, or machines brings its gripping moments. But the mere sight of the trained dog team in action causes a tingle in the spine of all who see it. There is something, some bond between man and dog, which is not a factor in any other sport.

And this year, on February 25, 26, 27, one of the big international dog team races will be held in New Hampshire when thousands will have their first view of many of the world's finest dogs.

Close up under the Sandwich hills in Wonalancet, N. H., is the most interesting place in all dogdom. Hundreds of those whose fortune it has been to experience a little of the world-old attachment that links the dog to man have pilgrimaged to this place as to a shrine.

You who love dogs we invite to come with us to the kennels and corrals of Wonalancet Farm and to the stables of Arthur T. Walden, known by all drivers of dog teams whether they be seasoned runners over the frozen Canadian trails or sportmen who have taken up this new game which is sport for both dog and man. For this is the center of the eastern dog racing world. It is the home of Chinook.

There are three great things at Wonalancet Farm: There is Walden, and there are the dogs, and there is the sled. Walden is a real estate dealer, a keen and a racer, has devised a similar machine.

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WANT COLUMN

Twenty-five words or less, one week, 25 cents; second week, 15 cents; each additional week, 10 cents.
Each word more than 50: One week, 1 cent and each additional week, 1/2 cent. Minimum charge, 25 cents.
Cash must accompany order.

FOR SALE—Dry Head Sewing Machine in A1 condition, also an Underwood Portable Typewriter. E. P. LYON, Bethel, Maine. 10-20

WANTED—Fertilizer, Somerset Hospital, Shawhegan, Maine. 10-20-101

Deer hunting is over for 1925. Send your skins, fur, hides, etc., to H. J. HANSEN, Spring St., Bethel, Maine. 25-2

NOTICE—Hams and bacon picked and smoked for the public at 5 cents per pound. W. C. DRYANT, Bethel, Me. 12-17

WANTED—Children's sewing to do. THUR HANES, High Street, Bethel, Me. 12-7-31

TO RENT OR SELL—House of eight rooms and bath. Shed connected. Inquire of P. I. CLARK, Bethel, Me.

FOR SALE—One traverse pump, one single pump, and one old comfort sleigh. All state prison made—best of material and workmanship. At my barn on Church street. H. H. HASTINGS. 12-21

FOR SALE—House of five rooms. Electric lights. Chapman brook water. Cement cellar. Stable and shed connected to house. About one-half acre of land. Fruit trees. Ten minutes walk from Bethel village. Chance for small garden, also to keep hens. Inquire at Citizens Office, Bethel, Me. 12-21

MIN'S RUINS CLEANED AND REBUILT. Laundry work. MRS. CHAR. S. BROWN, Main Street. 22-31 11p

PIANO TUNING—H. L. White will be in Bethel about Jan. 15th. Leave orders with P. J. Tyler, or write me at 7 Western View St., Auburn, Me. 12-21 21

NOTICE—Hams smoked bacon 25 cents per pound. Get our prices for pork in large quantities. Land calls want ad. W. C. DRYANT, Bethel, Maine. 22-31 2c

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1925.

I Can Furnish FURNACE HEAT

at less than \$100.

Why Freeze this Winter?

My usual supply of Building Material

on hand, including

Corrugated Galv. Roofing

at a low price. 24 gauge

Outside Storm Windows

to order.

H. Alton Bacon

BETHEL, MAINE

WEST GREENWOOD

John Keough of South Paris spent Christmas with his parents.

Paul Peterson and Parker O'Brien spent a few days in Lewiston last week.

Nellie Harrington is home on her Christmas vacation.

Ann's cousin called on Miss Margaret Harvey at Bethel one day last week.

Frank Stevens was in town recently with his lot of goods.

Charles Harrington and Elmer O'Brien are looking for a job on the track.

Mr. Harrington spent a few days in Lewiston recently with his sister, Mary Harrington.

Edith O'Brien spent Christmas at Emma's home.

Frank Stevens called at Emma's home recently.

John Harrington spent Christmas at his home in this vicinity.

Harold Stevens was in this vicinity one day last week.

Miss O'Brien of New York has moved to Lewiston for the winter so her daughter can board with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard and her husband, Mr. Howard, were at Mrs. Hubbard's Christmas Day.

NEW YEAR'S PRAYER

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blots out the vision of Thyself and Thy righteousness. I would be consciously guiltless, seeing that it is hard for a self-blinded heart to enjoy the light of Thy countenance. I crave from Thee the gift of inner power of resistance to that which is mean and low. Cause me to be lifted up in moral stature, to bulk large in moral heroism, that I may not go into panic in the hour of trial. And, O God, I would not be content with merely personal virtue. Give me a heart of hate toward all evil and iniquity and injustice wherever manifest. When I see children bereft of rightful privilege or suffer the unnecessary, when I look upon youth led astray by men who play upon youth's impulses for gain, when I behold strong men and women defeated and cast down by a hard world's cruelty, then may hot indignation rise out of my heart and may its fire work for the consuming of all unrighteousness.

Lord, enlarge my heart with great friendships. Teach me the lesson from friendship's primer—that I can not gain the prize of a great friendship without having a great soul. Make it plain also that great friends will not grow greater to me unless my soul grows. Give me the vision to find living at the roots of other men's personalities basic interests like my own, grant me skill to share with noble men the highest ideals, the widest scopes, the deepest concerns. Help me to fix the habit of holding much converse with a Moses or a David or an Isaiah or a John or a Paul. Aid me as I try to establish affinity with their thoughts, visions, strength of purpose. And I do also the far more inspiring band which I may have with Him who calls His disciples friends. May the springs of His mind flow clear and fresh from my own. Thus shall I be moved by men's lack of a life is moved, joy in sacrificial work as He joys. With all, however, let me be friendly, as Jesus is, who waits not for the response of the like-minded alone. Let the friendly sun of my life shine on the evil and the good, and to my friendships may the boundaries men erect between themselves mean nothing.

Lord, enlarge my heart with impulses for great ministries of grace. Have I not just begun to learn that I can not live to myself alone and be approved of God? Teach me the lesson which all who would have life's genuine satisfaction and joys must learn, that other selves are an essential part of one's own self. May the will be of use to my fellows be grounded in my being so that I may not be like the lashed slave in service but rather like the child playing a game for the joy of it. Help me to fulfill the law of Christ in bearing the burdens of others. Grant that no human need ever so far which I can fill shall be left unfilled. Make me master of beauties. For the famished soul may I stand ready with the rich cornucopia of the things of the spirit. May I call the things of the spirit the fountain of refreshment. And in all this I pray for deliverance from the provincial conception. I would shun narrow views of service. Intent upon sharing my blessings with those whom I may touch with my hands, I shall not rest until I shall have sent, so far as I am able, Thy gospel of love and plenty to fellow beings at the ends of the earth. So may I be rendered more and more worthy of my high calling as a world Christian.

Lord, enlarge my heart with eagerness for the heights. For any low thinking I may do may there be no recompense. If false ideals have warped my sense of life's value so as to convince me that low values are high, sweep from my eyes the world's delusions. If to remove from before my eyes the mists that hide the true and the good from them it is necessary to me humiliating means, hesitate. Thus not to cherish them. For I must discern the true and the false, also how can I follow the true? Then hast made nothing too high for the souls of men. If Thou hast set perfection as the soul's goal, then hast made a long pathway thence, and Thou who are the light art thereon. Seeing Thee therefore and hearing Thy call to men therefore, I stand in shame if my soul pretenses to be static. O Lord, guard me against willful regress to accept standards of growth and progress which arrest the upward calling of God. Let me not despair huge as they are with me but rather trust them where I trust. But help me make the inevitable onward that the faithful whom I make haste "for the price of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

The first conference of its kind in New England history will be held in Portland, Maine, in January, when more than 100 business men, representing every phase of industry in New England and Eastern New York, and executives of over a hundred railroads and the Maine Central will discuss transportation problems.

So long as having continuous on can service lines and points are not in fact, because no further significant and under adverse reaction, but must gradually progress as production steadily is increased.

ARE YOU TIRED, ACHY—ALL RUN DOWN?

This Bethel Resident Tells You How to Get Well.

Tired all the time? Lame, stiff and achy? Tortured with nagging backache? Knife-like twinges when you stoop or lift?

Miserable with headaches, dizzy spells and bladder irregularities? All are signs of kidney weakness. Use Doan's Pills—a stimulant diuretic to the kidneys.

Here's Bethel testimony: Clifford Merrill, Main St., says: "A cold settled in my kidneys and I had a dull, heavy ache in my back that made me feel run down. Mornings my back felt stiff and lame and I couldn't straighten up after bending without shooting pains through my kidneys. My kidneys were weak and disordered, so I began using Doan's Pills and two boxes, from Basserman's Drug Store, rid me of the trouble."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Pills—the same that Mr. Merrill had. Foster-McMillan Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named.

At a Probate Court, at Paris, in vacation in and for the County of Oxford, on the twenty-ninth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of January, A. D. 1926, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

That C. Alexander late of Denmark, deceased; petition for determination of inheritance tax presented by Adelaide E. Alexander, administratrix.

That C. Alexander late of Denmark, deceased; petition for order to distribute balance remaining in her hands presented by Adelaide E. Alexander, administratrix.

Witness, Henry H. Hastings, Judge of said Court at Paris, this 29th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named.

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the fifteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of January, A. D. 1926, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Herbert A. Edwards late of Los Angeles, California, deceased; copy of will and petition for allowance of same presented by Lillie O. Edwards, executrix.

Calvin K. Kimball late of Bethel, deceased; petition for the appointment of L. Carey Stevens as administrator of the estate of said deceased presented by Rebecca J. Caswell, sister and heir at law.

Elberta E. Burdick late of Bethel, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Lydia U. Barker, executrix.

Lauretta M. Valentine late of Bethel, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Charles H. Valentine, executrix.

Witness, Henry H. Hastings, Judge of said Court at Paris, this 15th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Albert E. Bailey late of Newry in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted to estate are requested to make payment immediately.

MAUD A. BAILEY, Bethel, Maine. 12-24-25

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed executrix of the estate of Agnes U. Abbott late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted to estate are requested to make payment immediately.

GRACE EDITH ABBS, 125 E. 19th St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Agent—Henry C. Park, Bethel, Maine. 12-24-25

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THE J. E. JONES LETTER

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to take "a cure." In four days the patients reappeared at the reservation. One Indian made the trip back in an airplane and the other in a taxicab. The latter after arriving in Pawhuska spent two additional hours in driving about the town. The cost of transportation by railroad from Kansas City to Pawhuska is \$8.22, but the way the Indians traveled it amounted to \$300. The Commissioner of Indian Affairs at Washington disallowed the claims.

BOOSTING BOOZE

Attempts to show that the dry era is a failure and that the only cure for the situation is a return to beer and wine, are being made in Washington by wet Congressmen of the variety who would like to turn the hands back on the clock of civilization. They are making some false right now but there is no more possibility of succeeding with their booze programs than there is of cultivating snowfalls in Florida next summer.

A DESCRIPTIVE SENTENCE

Representative Tillman of Arkansas said a monthful in speaking of the Mitchell trial, when he uttered the following: "A court was organized to get the Colonel, and this booted and spurred inquisition got him in double-quick time." The trouble with Mitchell was that he lacked about nine judges on the military court and if he had had them with him he would have carried the country unanimously.

THE ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL

Enthusiasts for a Roosevelt memorial in the National Capitol have over-shot their mark. They proposed to put up a wonderful structure between the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial which would eclipse both of them in grandeur. As a result the promoters have been very plainly given to understand that they should revise their plans.

COAL STRIKES

Everyone seems willing that the anthracite coal strike should end—that is everyone except the people who own the mines and those who work in them. Unless Governor Pinchot and a few men like him who are not afraid of tough jobs have their way the chances are that the coal strike will continue until hot weather comes again. Then it will be the consumers turn to "laugh last," because they won't care a rip—but the coal interests will.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Agnes Eldora, wife of George Polton, passed away Saturday, Dec. 10, after an illness of several months. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Robbins, and was about 68 years of age. Besides her husband she is survived by four children, Mrs. Payson McAllister of Auburn, Mrs. Nina Stevens of Portland, Floyd Polton of Oxford, and Leon, who lives at home and has faithfully cared for his mother since she came from the hospital about two months ago. There are two brothers, Everett and Orlando Robbins of West Paris, and two sisters, Mrs. Flora O. Holmes of Lynn, Mass., and Mrs. Fannie Pratt of Norway. The funeral was held from the home Tuesday afternoon of last week. Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes spoke words of comfort, and there were beautiful flowers. The interment was in West Paris cemetery.

Alonso K. Dimack of Boston, is spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dunham.

Miss Ethel Flavin has returned from a trip to Washington to visit her brother, Arthur and George Flavin. Arthur Flavin has a position in the office of the American Consul at Tokio, Japan, and left Dec. 29, to be gone two years. George will remain in Washington, where he is studying for an electrician.

Mrs. Charles Barden has been very ill during the past week, but is reported better at this writing.

Miss Mildred Davis is at home from Columbia University for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bane went to Harmony last week to attend the funeral of his sister. Harold Perkins took them in an auto.

Miss Clara Barry has returned home from Portland, and is improved in health.

Mrs. Angie Baren is having the usual repairs over her store wired for electricity, and the Nazareth Church people are to occupy it for services.

Miss Helen Packard is home from Farmington Normal School.

Miss Margaret Lane is at home from Boston for the vacation.

Howard Wardwell, Stanley Perkins and Harold Perkins are at home from Bates College. Mrs. Harold Perkins is with her husband.

Misses Ruth and Eva Tucker enter entered Mrs. Ruth Tucker and daughter, Louise, Mrs. Sarah Tucker, and Miss Ella Carter at dinner on Christmas Day.

Many families had Christmas trees and family gatherings.

A union Christmas service was held at the Universalist church Sunday evening, Dec. 28. There was a large group of young people who rendered good music, and a program, "The Perfect Song," was presented by about twenty-five children. In the morning at the Universalist church there was a very

CHRISTMAS

Addie Kendall Mason

When the Christmas days are waning In a land beyond the seas, When the twelfth night candles glimmer, Then they burn the Christmas trees And the children gather round them By the fire place huge and deep, Telling many a "Yuletide" story As the shadows dance and leap.

While above them gleam the holly Bound in wreaths of mistletoe, Hung for happy lads and lasses In the Christmas fires glow,— 'Tis a custom long remembered Thus to burn the withered branches With the twelfth night's peaceful rhyme.

And so far no one has ever Tried to stop this happy play, Of the children and the old folks In this land so far away And I hope that people never, In their quest for gain and gold, Will forget this quaint old custom Brought down from the days of old.

And here in our own New England Let the stockings still be hung In the chimney's coolest corner While the Christmas songs are sung Let the children list for sleigh bells And the sound of dancing feet, As Old Santa guides his reindeer Over house tops far and fleet.

Help them keep the faith of childhood, All too soon such dreams are o'er, And me thinks life would be harder If the fairies came no more.

Bethel, Maine.

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